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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2002, Applicants elect, with traverse and for examination purposes only, the subject matter of Group I, encompassing the compounds and compositions of claims 1-7, 12, 14-17 and 31-51 drawn to triazine compounds. Applicants also elect, with traverse and for examination purposes only, the subject matter of method of use claim 27.

## REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants have elected, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-7, 12, 14-17 and 31-51 drawn to triazines in which X, Y and Z are nitrogens, for examination purposes only. Furthermore, Applicants elect, with